



EASTERN REGIONAL TRAUMA ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Date: December 14th, 2006 **Time:** 1530-1730

Site: Billings Clinic Room 2

Present: PClifton RN (coordinator SVH), B Hurd MD (Surgeon/Billings) RMickelson RN (Coordinator/Billings Clinic), Chris Mehl EMT (Plentywood), ESchuchard RN (Glasgow), TSinclair RN (Outreach SVH), K Todd RN State Trauma Program Manager, KBloom EMT (AMR), BVonbergen RN (Prevention/Billings Clinic); NRahm RN(Nurse Consultant/Billings Clinic) , LHilliard RN (Medflight/BC)

Telepresent:

Big Timber: K Peden MD (Chair;Big Timber)

Plentywood: DAnderson RN, B. Johnson RN

Harlowton: DThompson PA-C, LPritchard RN, Dr. McCart

Miles City: STaylor RN, LBieshevul PA-C(Broadus)

Colstrip: P.White RN. JCraig MD

Total: 9 facilities/ 20 participants

Contact information for Billings Participants attached to Meeting Minutes

| TOPIC | DISCUSSION | ACTION PLAN |
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| Meeting called to order at 1530 | Minutes reviewed and approved on site. All telemed participants had been mailed minutes | <i>Approved and seconded</i> |
| Old Business | Brain Injury Protocol development: Clifton/Maier/Hurd/Mickelson have not yet been able to pull and review all relevant CT scans. | <i>Update, hopefully, in March</i> |

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| Case Presentation | <p>PClifton reviewed a case of a 2 yr old male in a highspeed MVC/rollover ejection with a delayed diagnosis of cervical atlas/axis fracture. A presentation of the anatomic alterations in injury patterns and diagnoses was presented</p> | <p><i>The presentation will be hardcopy mailed with the ERTAC minutes to all facilities in our referral region.</i></p> |
| Subcommittee Reports | <p>Education (ESchuchard)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <u>Rocky Mountain Rural Trauma Symposium</u> : all evals have been reviewed. Still a preponderance of EMS people as attendees but necessary to maintain content that appeals to all levels. Hands on skills still rated high. 2007 event to be held 9/6-7/06 in Great Falls. We will contract out the audiovisual management of the course due to negative evals on the quality of the September event and poor management of AV emergencies throughout the conference. ▪ Planning an annual Trauma Coordinators conference, in addition to the Rocky Mountain Conference, for early 2007, as per a model from the Dakotas described by John Bleicher. Heavily directed towards supporting one another in the verification process. Date to be announced when WY availability | <p><i>Contact Rachelle Erickson RN/Benefis Trauma Coordinator, for information on the September conference.</i></p> <p><i>Questions regarding Coordinators conference direct to Kim Todd 1-406-444-3895</i></p> <p><i>TNCC providers who rated instructor</i></p> |

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| | <p>known.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ ENA putting out new TNCC content late 2007 so it isn't cost effective to teach an instructor class now. We would have to purchase materials twice and do updates. ERTAC will contribute financial support to the instructor class when it is developed. ▪ TEAM Train The Trainer class held this past fall. Lots of participation. Trying to schedule courses at those facilities with pending consultative visits. Need a Beta test site in each region. Bioterrorism grant underwriting some of the costs. Can then be incorporated into Bioterrorism CREW projects rewrites . Class was taped. Discs distributed. . ▪ TNCC courses: Billings Clinic: 1/24-25/07 Cancelled SVH: 3/1-2/07 Billings Clinic: 10/30-31/07 SVH Contact: Penny Clifton Billings Clinic Contact: Nancy Rahm ▪ PDA STAT mannequin: the new Palm is here but Penny, Tracey, | <p><i>potential and have been in course in last 6 months should contact Elaine Schuchard RN re instructor training.</i></p> <p><i>We need to clarify with ENA how to incorporate students with IP from this past Fall who will no longer be within the 6 month time frame for instructor training.</i></p> <p><i>CREW week information: contact Tim Nordstrom 1-406-237-3606</i></p> <p><i>. TEAM information classes in Eastern Region: Elaine Schuchard</i></p> <p><i>Limited scholarships possible via Elaine Schuchard</i></p> <p><i>Still await Bill Taylor RN NREMT-P in Missoula to send the mannequin scenarios he promised 6 months ago. Penny will contact again. Penny has some materials she and Chuck Bratsky used to teach the</i></p> |
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| | <p>Chuck and Rich haven't had a chance to plug it all in and take a run at it.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> State Trauma and Injury Prevention Website is not functional in that it is not current and the webmaster services do not provide for ability to load minutes, pdf files, ppt, documents or anything else of regional use. This situation is not expected to change as it has been stagnant for years. Gas prices and travel issues as well as the new ability to seek designation are all reasons to maximize and optimize technical and electronic methods of communicating. ERTAC collected a quote for site development. Gail Hatch, new hire in EMS section, will facilitate development at no cost. If not developed within 6 months, per Dr. Peden, Education Sub comm will contract out. <p><u>Quality Improvement</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Committee was chartered over summer 5 charts reviewed to date, 2 charts reviewed since last ERTAC | <p><i>use of the mannequin last Fall. Need to find them for Georgiana Mayer in Butte as she has agreed to make a manual for all to use.</i></p> <p><i>Send examples of good websites to Gail Hatch via Kim Todd at kimtodd@mt.gov.</i></p> <p>.</p> <p><i>ERTAC members interested in review can utilize the attached letter to request review. The check list used top audit will also be attached.</i></p> |
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| | <p>meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Triggers are still death and request ▪ Parties submitting a request can be physically or telepresent at the review ▪ Overview of peer review results are presented at subsequent ERTAC meeting. ▪ Trauma system rules passed so committee is sanctioned ▪ Issues from Northern Wyoming will be referred to Dr. Doug Schmitz, WY State Trauma Program Director ▪ Committee members are: Dr. Peden, P Clifton, R Mickelson, J Hansen. ▪ PI from Reviews: all trauma patients for whom transfer is anticipated should have the transfer call placed early rather than late. The completion of many diagnostic procedures creates a delay in transfer. Suboptimal studies will have to be repeated after transfer. Extremes of age should heighten the awareness of the need for transfer. <p>Airway must be validated and established early, including patients</p> | <p><i>Questions: contact Dr. Kirby Peden by email kpedenmd@yahoo.com</i></p> |
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| | <p>whose altered LOC is likely due to intoxication.</p> <p>Flight dispatch , using sanctioned criteria, from the scene is certainly timely but all parties must be kept in loop so that flight team’s arrival is anticipated and rendezvous site understood.</p> <p><u>Injury Prevention</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Charter was sent last ERTAC mailings. ▪ Charter approved ▪ Plan is for data -driven implementation of focused injury prevention strategies ▪ Multiple stakeholders interested in horse-related trauma, as well as link to state EMSC initiatives so first project will likely focus there ▪ Billings Clinic, AMR, and SVH Outreach and Pediatrics all in cooperative roles. ▪ Pilot project in coordination with State EMSC is “Ride Smart” equestrian injury prevention. <p><u>EMS/Prehospital</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Multiple parties seem to be interested in this subcommittee becoming functional. | <p><i>Inquiries and interest in Injury Prevention Subcommittee involvement, or starting satellite programs in your community, should be directed to Tracey Sinclair at SVH 406-237-4181 Brad VonBergen at BC 406-247-6193</i></p> <p><i>Future updates on Ride Smart and ThinkFirst</i></p> <p><i>Penny Clifton will attempt to connect all interested parties electronically after the first of the year.</i></p> |
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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Dr. Peden encourages that this committee be intricately involved in discussions about a REGIONAL TRAUMA PLAN, as mandated by Trauma Rules. | <p><i>EMS can use IP and QI subcommittees and trauma rules (sent to Jim Webber) to formulate their charter and processes.</i></p> |
| <p>State Report / Kim Todd RN EMS/Trauma Systems/Helena Trauma Systems Manager</p> | <p>No regional trauma registry report until March due to unforeseeable delays in data delivery to the State.</p> <p>Considerable interest by facilities in the state trauma center designation process. The levels of designation include</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trauma Receiving Facility • Community Trauma Facility • Area Trauma Hospital • Regional Trauma Centers. <p>Consultative visit prior to trauma facility designation are available. Congratulations to the facilities in the ERTA that have become designated as MT</p> | <p><i>Applications available from Kim Todd RN 1-406-444-3895</i></p> |

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| | <p>Trauma facilities. The are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pioneer Medical Center in Big Timber, a Trauma Receiving Facility • Livingston Memorial Hospital in Livingston as a Community Trauma Facility • Billings Clinic and St. Vincent Healthcare in Billings both as Regional Trauma Centers. <p>ATLS (Advanced Trauma Life Support) Courses for 2007 have been scheduled and are filling up fast. To obtain registration information visit the MontanaEMS.mt.gov website. Courses in the ERTAC will be in April and November.</p> | |
| Education | <p>Penny Clifton presented literature review and problem analysis for issue of decubiti related to long backboard times.</p> <p>Undiagnosed diabetics, smokers, shock, acidosis, advanced age, dirty hair/bloody head all found to be consistent factors along with long times on board prior to arrival. BC flies on board, SVH won't if patient has been removed. Dr. Peden feels that if the patient is stable enough to make it to a secondary survey and be turned for a</p> | <p><i>Chris will send Penny the contacts for the BackRaft company</i></p> <p><i>Consider a demo of spine turn at March meeting</i></p> <p><i>Follow up 3/07</i></p> |

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| | back exam, that the board should be either removed or padded at that time. Chris Mehl has familiarity with an inflatable reusable product. | |
| Meeting dates for 2007 | SVH March 8th BC June 14th SVH September 13th BC December 13th | <i>Rich and Penny will work together in January to streamline the preERTAC meeting notification and mailing process with site coordinators and ERTAC participants. Our apologies to Sherry Taylor in Miles City. Thanks for hanging in there, Sherry.</i> <i>Welcome suggestions for education topics</i> <i>Also welcome cases you would like to present.</i> |
| Meeting Adjourned 1730 | | |

Minutes respectfully submitted 12/22/2006 Penny Clifton RN/SVH Trauma Coordinator

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